

In the wake of the tragic death of Baltimore Orioles pitcher Steve Bechler, Rep. Waxman writes the commissioners of Major League Baseball, the National Basketball Association, and the National Hockey League, as well as the Major League Baseball Players Association to ask why they have not acted to protect their players by prohibiting the use of ephedra-containing dietary supplements. Medical experts have linked these products to heatstroke, heart attacks, stroke, and seizures. The NFL, NCAA and International Olympic Committee already prohibit their use by athletes. **Documents and Links**

- [Letter to MLB Commissioner Selig](#)
- [Letter to NBA Commissioner Stern](#)
- [Letter to NHL Commissioner Bettman](#)
- [Letter to MLB Players Association](#)